## IN THE UNITEDISTATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

PATENT APPLICATION

WILLIAM H. RETSCH, JR. et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

Serial No. 10/737,283

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Examiner: Ana Lucrecia Woodward

Attorney Docket No. 1902A1

For: POLYMER ADDITIVES FOR POWDER COATINGS

## **LETTER**

MAIL STOP: Petition Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed on January 16, 2007 in the captioned case. The Notice of Abandonment indicates that the application is abandoned in view of Applicants' failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office Letter mailed on August 23, 2005. In fact, Applicants did reply to that Office Action on November 23, 2005. A Final Office Action, mailed on February 3, 2006, was received in response to Applicants' reply. Applicants appealed the rejections set forth in the Final Office Action in a Notice of Appeal filed on April 26, 2006. Due to a docketing error, the date for filing the Appeal Brief was never docketed. While Applicants do not dispute that the case has gone abandoned, Applicants wish to clarify that the abandonment was due to the failure to file the Appeal Brief, and not

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the failure to file a reply to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2005. An Appeal Brief is filed herewith along with the required fee. Revival of the unintentionally abandoned application is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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